

**APPENDIX D**

**WORLD DEVELOPMENT – THE BISHOPS’ APPEAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
REPORT 2003**

**MEMBERSHIP**

The Bishop of Limerick (Chairman)	Very Rev Dr RSJH McKelvey
Rev Canon MAJ Burrows	Rev MA Parker
Rev OMR Donohoe (Honorary Treasurer)	Rev AP Patterson
Ms R Handy	Mr TA Smallwoods
Mr W Kingston	Rev IP Poulton (Honorary Secretary)

- The level of ordinary giving to the work of Bishops’ Appeal was maintained during 2002. The total income this year is substantially enhanced by the receipt of the following bequests:- €106,338 and £10,512 respectively from the estate of the late Miss Elizabeth Ferrar of Dublin; £24,771 from the estate of John Illingworth Gill of Coleraine and a further €17,909 from the estate of the late Fred South of Cork.
- Bishops’ Appeal responded to a number of emergencies following drought, famine and natural disasters in many parts of the world. These included: - Afghanistan, Southern Africa, Congo, Burma and Palestine.
- The establishment of Bishops’ Appeal as a charity in Northern Ireland for the purposes of claiming Gift Aid is nearing completion.
- The Rev AP Patterson took over as Honorary Secretary to the Committee in June 2002.

**SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT**

The Committee is deeply grateful for the continued support of all the dioceses for Bishops’ Appeal, especially when emergencies arise. When legacies and contributions to emergencies are excluded from the totals, ordinary income for the year 2002 has remained fairly constant. This made it possible for the Committee to support a wide range of projects in places as far apart as Africa, Central and South America and Asia.

The following extracts from letters received from just two of the agencies supported speak for themselves and highlight the importance of continued support for Bishops’ Appeal.

“I am so overwhelmed by your response to our Southern Africa Crisis Appeal that a thank you letter seems far too trifling a thing to send in response. On behalf of us all thank you so very much for your concern and generosity: 20,000euro will make a marked impact on the situation and be of invaluable help to our partners in the worst affected countries of Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe and Angola.”

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“With the generous support of Bishops’ Appeal over 300 people have received training in disabled women’s rights... We are pleased with the final outcome of the project and we are confident that the trained teams will continue to help disabled women throughout Central America.”

The advertising slogan of a well known supermarket chain is very apt also for Bishops’ Appeal “every little helps”.

The Committee distributes funds under the following categories;

- (a) disaster, emergency and famine relief;
- (b) education projects;
- (c) medical, health and HIV/AIDS work;
- (d) sustainable agriculture and rural development.

Grants are usually paid in euro or sterling, but occasionally a request is made for a grant to be paid in the local currency.

### ***Disaster, Famine and Emergency Relief***

At the beginning of the year under review the Afghanistan Crisis continued to dominate the headlines. The Committee donated a total of €85,161 and £41,828 through Christian Aid to this appeal. Another emergency, which arose, was the drought and famine in Southern Africa. This appeal received €55,250 and £20,000 respectively. The payments to the Southern Africa Appeal were divided between Tear Fund and Christian Aid. Among other emergencies supported by Bishops’ Appeal, CMSI received a grant of £20,000 towards the Volcano Relief project in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Christian Aid received €16,000 for Refugee relief in Burma and €20,000 for Refugee Assistance in Palestine.

A grant of €39,000 was made to SAFE for their refugee programme in Pakistan and £10,000 to SAMS for their work with Soup Kitchens in Argentina.

### ***Education***

Among the educational projects supported during the year were a Youth Training Project in Burma arranged by SPCK which received £2,800 and a Refugee Training Programme in Zimbabwe for which SPCK also received £5,000.

Christian Aid received a grant of €33,000 for a Rural Libraries Project in Peru, €48,000 for a Slum Clearance Programme in Kenya and €40,000 for help with a Worker’s Organisation Programme in Sri Lanka. A further £25,000 was paid to Christian Aid for a Training Programme in the Philippines.

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Tear Fund received £5,000 for each of two projects: - an Orphan Integration Programme in Rwanda and an Urban Development Programme in Mexico.

#### ***Medical and HIV/AIDS Projects***

HIV/AIDS continues to be a major problem in many parts of the developing world. Christian Aid estimates that 15,000 people become HIV positive every day. According to a United Nations AIDS report the developing world accounts for more than 95% of all people living with HIV/AIDS and 95% of all deaths from AIDS related illnesses.

A grant of €36,000 was sent to Christian Aid for a Health Programme in Kenya; €10,000 for a similar project in Uganda and €64,000 for a HIV/AIDS Care and Education Programme in Malawi.

The Leprosy Mission received €25,000 for their work in China.

A Child Health Programme organised by Africare in Uganda also received £5,000 and a similar amount was paid to Tear Fund for their AIDS Programme in Burundi.

#### ***Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development***

It is amazing what can be achieved sometimes with relatively small amounts of aid. On a visit to Malawi a few years ago, the Honorary Secretary to the Committee saw at first hand the improvement in living conditions, which a fresh water supply can bring to a village. The provision of a fresh water supply to a village can cost as little as €300. It is therefore important to emphasise that it is not always the large amounts of grant - aid, which bring the greatest amount of relief to the greater number of people.

It was with this in mind that the Committee was able to pay grants totalling €8,614 to Christian Aid for the Shallow Wells Project in Malawi. Christian Aid also received £44,302 and €24,844 respectively for Sow Seeds for Sudan Project. A grant of £15,000 was paid to CMSI towards a Training Centre in Rwanda while Self-Help received €5,300 towards a Crop Planting scheme in Ethiopia. Aidlink submitted two schemes for Rural Development and both of these were supported; a Dairy Farming project in Kenya received €8,442 while a Day Centre project in Tanzania received €6,976. A Drought Relief Programme in India submitted by Christian Aid and totalling £10,000 was financed in full.

#### **EDUCATION ADVISER**

During the year the Education Adviser, the Rev George Pitt, completed a series of articles on “Sustainable Development”. He also organised a number of seminars on the subject. He continues to write the bi-monthly information sheet Developing Issues which is available to anyone interested by post or e-mail and which also appears on the website at [bishopsappeal.ireland.org](http://bishopsappeal.ireland.org).

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During the month of August 2002, Mr Pitt had the opportunity of visiting the Global Anglican Congress on the Stewardship of Creation and the World Summit on Sustainable Development, both of which were held in South Africa. A comprehensive report on these gatherings appeared in the Church of Ireland Gazette.

The Anglican Congress submitted a Joint Declaration to the United Nations World Summit stating that “All religious traditions call their believers to disciplines of life that show respect for the environment that we inhabit. We value life more than possessions. We value people more than profits....” and calling on “the Governments of all nations to support sustainable communities” in a number of ways which would improve the environment, the living conditions and well being of the inhabitants of those communities.

#### **BISHOPS’ APPEAL LEAFLET**

The leaflet, which gives a summary of the aid given to development projects and emergencies, has been improved in format. In future it will be issued annually in the summer.

#### **TAX EFFICIENT GIVING**

At the time of writing, the drafting of a Trust Deed with Trustees in N.I. to enable tax efficient giving in Northern Ireland is in the process of being completed.

The existing mechanism for Tax-efficient giving in the Republic remains available and it is unfortunate that it is not more widely used. Qualifying donations may be enhanced by as much as 72%.

#### **BEQUESTS**

The Committee was delighted to receive a number of generous bequests during the year. A total of €106,388 and £10,512 was received from the estate of the late Miss Elizabeth Ferrar from Dublin who had been a member of the Committee for many years and who took a keen interest in the agencies working in the Developing World.

The late John Illingworth Gill of Coleraine, left £24,771 to Bishops’ Appeal in his will and the late Fred South of Cork bequeathed €17,909.

The Committee wishes to record its appreciation of the thoughtfulness of these generous benefactors in remembering the work of Bishops’ Appeal in their wills.

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We commend to all those considering their wills the example of these benefactors. Our legacy income allows us to commit ourselves to major capital projects in developing countries which otherwise would be beyond our capability to respond.

#### **PERSONNEL**

The Rev Ian Poulton, who had been Honorary Secretary to the Committee for six years, relinquished the post in April 2002. We wish to record our sincere thanks for the excellent way he serviced the Committee during that time and for his continued commitment to the work of the Committee.

The Rev Percy Patterson, who has been a member of the Committee for a number of years, has succeeded him as Honorary Secretary.

The Committee wishes to record thanks to the staff in Church of Ireland House for their efficient assistance in the financial management of the Bishops' Appeal Fund.

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**BISHOPS' APPEAL ACCOUNT 2003**

<b>FUND ACCOUNT</b>	Year ended 31 December	
	2002	2001
	€	€
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		
Contributions	885,058	931,598
Deposit Interest	6,626	12,653
Currency exchange (loss)/gain	(5,928)	56
Grants – Christian Aid	8,320	8,634
Tax refunds	1,641	-
	<u>895,717</u>	<u>952,941</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>		
Grants	968,427	871,298
Printing and stationery	17,339	22,610
Administration expenses	8,727	10,836
Education expenses	946	1,325
Salaries and PRSI	20,068	16,142
	<u>1,015,507</u>	<u>922,211</u>
(Deficit)/surplus for year	(119,790)	30,730
Balance at 1 January	354,097	323,367
Balance at 31 December	<u>234,307</u>	<u>354,097</u>
<b>EMPLOYMENT OF FUNDS</b>		
Cash on deposit	234,307	354,097
Balance at 31 December	<u>234,307</u>	<u>354,097</u>

Sterling balances and transactions have been translated to Euro at the rate of exchange ruling at 31 December 2002, €1 = £0.6505 (2001: €1 = £0.6085).

**ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT**

The Standing Committee is responsible for preparing the Income and Expenditure and the Fund Account for the year ended 31 December 2002. We have examined the above and have compared it with the books and records of the Fund. We have not performed an audit and, accordingly, do not express an audit opinion on the above statement. In our opinion, the above statements are in accordance with the books and records of the Fund.

PricewaterhouseCoopers  
Chartered Accountants  
Dublin  
11 March 2003

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**BISHOPS' APPEAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

	2002		2001	
	Stg£	€	Stg£	€
ARMAGH	23,162	3,837	26,571	2,274
CLOGHER	16,306	2,319	14,107	1,192
CONNOR	67,577	-	57,636	-
DERRY & RAPHOE	38,410	15,418	63,572	33,606
DOWN & DROMORE	68,008	22	59,558	-
KILMORE	1,200	13,670	-	7,471
ELPHIN	-	4,520	-	6,953
CASHEL & OSSORY	-	30,886	-	40,474
FERNS	-	18,226	-	12,229
CORK	-	54,626	-	75,356
DUBLIN	515	170,057	-	233,514
LIMERICK	-	11,858	-	15,300
MEATH & KILDARE	-	39,818	-	42,659
TUAM	-	10,472	-	5,490
INDIVIDUALS (including legacies)	35,284	124,299	20	84,631
<b>TOTALS</b>	<u>250,462</u>	<u>500,028</u>	<u>221,464</u>	<u>561,149</u>

**BISHOPS' APPEAL GRANTS PAID**

TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT	2002	2001
	€	€
Disaster Relief	319,743	197,920
Health & Medical	206,947	67,336
Education/Communications	93,912	71,536
Rural Development	347,825	534,508
<b>Totals</b>	<u>968,427</u>	<u>871,300</u>
<b>DEVELOPMENT AGENCY</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
	€	€
Christian Aid	694,766	466,002
CMSI	76,864	121,445
Concern	-	29,132
Tear Fund	60,746	57,932
Others	136,051	196,789
<b>Totals</b>	<u>968,427</u>	<u>871,300</u>

**BISHOPS' APPEAL GRANTS PAID**

**GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION**

***AFRICA - €309,014; Stg £165,911***

Aids Awareness & Support Programme	Burundi	Tearfund
Aids/War Orphans Integration Programme	Rwanda	Tearfund
Batwa Development Programme	Burundi	Tearfund
CCFMC Kisumu Aids Orphans Welfare	Kenya	C Aid
Child Health Education & Rehabilitation	Uganda	Africare
Dairy Farming Support	Tanzania	Aidlink
Designated Funds	Mozambique	C Aid
Designated Funds	Malawi	C Aid
Designated Funds	Sudan	C Aid
Drought Resistant Crops Programme	Ethiopia	Self Help
Emergency Southern Africa	South Africa	Tearfund
Emergency Southern Africa	South Africa	C Aid
Goma Emergency Relief	DR Congo	CMSI
HIV Malawi	Malawi	C Aid
HIV/Aids	Sierra Leone	C Aid
Integrated Development	Kenya	C Aid
Kanqulimara Integrated Health Project	Uganda	C Aid
Revolving Fund Project	DR Congo	CMSI
Shallow Well Project	Malawi	C Aid
Somalia HIV Programme	Somalia	C Aid
Sow Seeds for Sudan	Sudan	C Aid
Support for Day Care Centre	Tanzania	Aidlink
Training Centre	Rwanda	CMSI
Vuleka Trust	South Africa	Direct
Zimbabwe refugees	Zimbabwe	SPCK

***ASIA - €217,734; Stg £75,433***

Afghanistan Emergency Relief	Afghanistan	C Aid
Bicol Governance & Organising Prog	Phillipines	C Aid
Burma Youth Training	Burma	SPCK
Burmese Border Consortium Relief	Burma	C Aid
Drought Relief-Chattisgarh	India	C Aid
India designated donations	India	C Aid
Leprosy Mission	Rep of China	Leprosy Mission
Neyyoor Hospital	India	Direct
Pakistan Vocational Training	Pakistan	SAFE
Palestine Emergency Food	Palestine	C Aid
Quidan-Phillipine village finance	Phillipines	Quidan



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***EUROPE - €5,350***

Debt & Development Coalition	Direct
KMF Productions	Direct

***SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA - €42,257; Stg£15,000***

Network of Rural Libraries	Peru	C Aid
Helen Regan HIV Brazil	Brazil	Helen Regan
Honduras Agricultural Co-op	Honduras	C Aid
Santa Cruz Urban Transformation Programme	Mexico	Tearfund
Soup Kitchens	Argentina	SAMS